

# PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
**Hoppe et al.**

Examiner: **Ketter, James**

Application No.: **10/766,339**

Art Unit: **1636**

Filed: **January 28, 2004**

Title: **SCREENING ASSAY BASED ON THE FORKHEAD TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR-  
DEPENDENT SOD-3 PROMOTER**

### **RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication dated January 30, 2007, the period for response having been extended two months to June 30, 2007 in accordance with the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following amendments and remarks for the purposes of allowance.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Account No. 18-1982.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.